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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the application of:

Philippe Lesueur

Application No.: 09/914,288

Filing Date: August 23, 2001

For: METHOD FOR RESTORING LOCAL POLYMER COATING OF A
PREVIOUSLY STRIPPED OPTICAL FIBRE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for
Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

After the title, please insert:

This is a non-provisional application claiming the benefit of International application number PCT/FR00/03636 filed December 21, 2000.

REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing amendment is requested. In the event any petition is needed for entry of this amendment, applicant hereby so petitions. To the extent there has been any delay, the entire delay between the date the claim was due and the date the claim was filed was unintentional. Please change any required fee to deposit account 02-2666. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: 8/29/02 By: [Signature]

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